

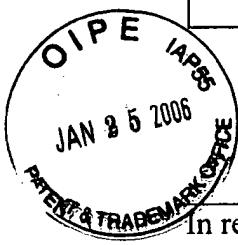
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2005, for which a response was due on October 25, 2005, and for which a three-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from October 25, 2005, to January 25, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

SPECIFICATION

There are no amendments to the specification.

CLAIMS

There are no amendments to the claims.

A complete listing of all claims ever present in this case in ascending order with status identifier is presented in a separate section.